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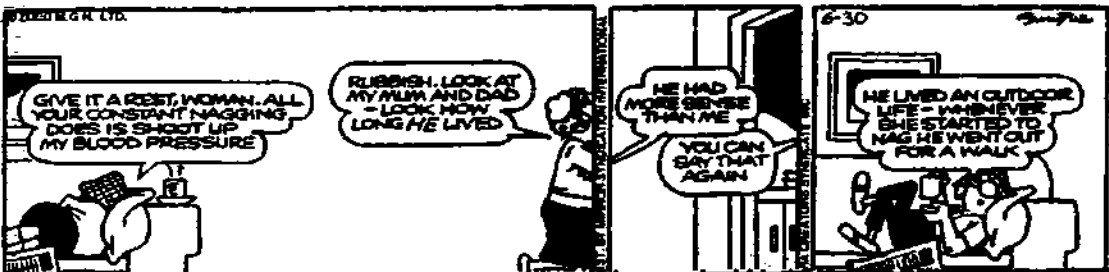
THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



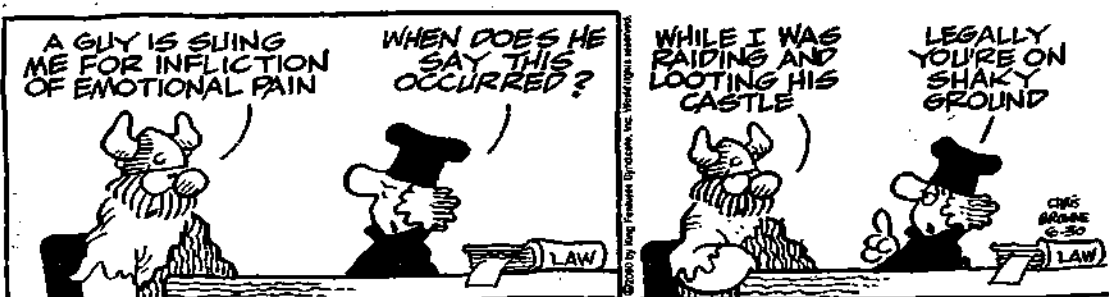
ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



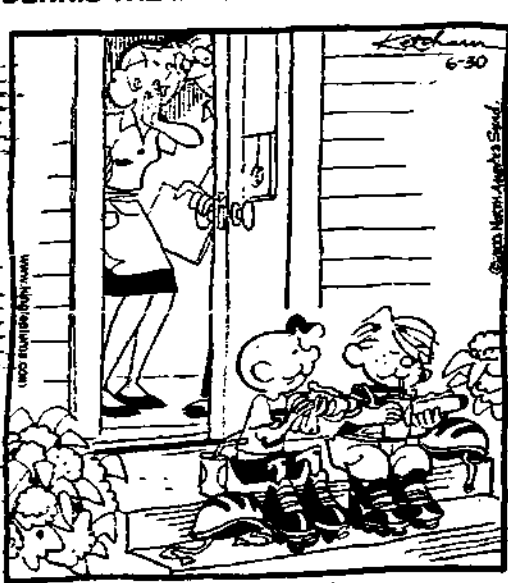
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DILBERT



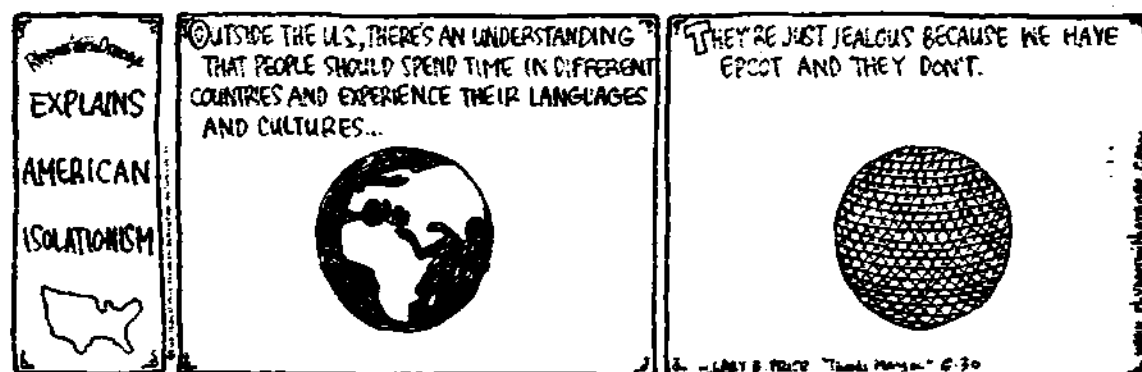
DENNIS THE MENACE



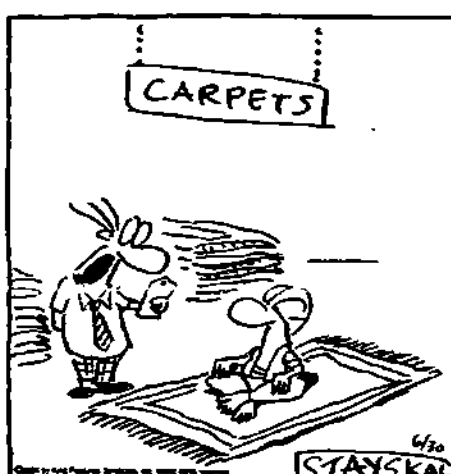
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH

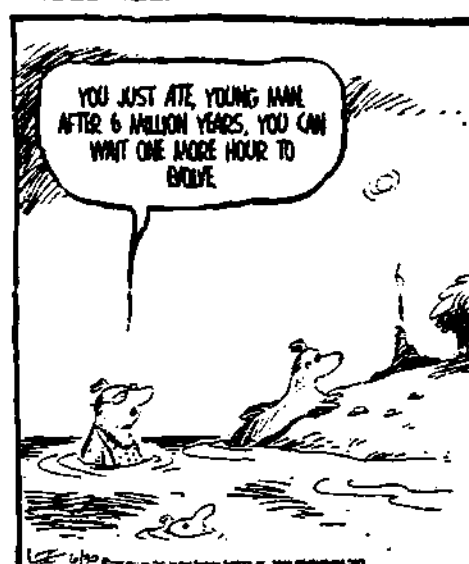


"The tag only says it's hand-loomed and Scotchguard-protected ... it doesn't say how to get it started."

Today's Birthdays

Singer Lena Horne is 83. Actor Tony Musante is 64. Actress Nancy Dussault is 64. Singer Glenn Shorrock (Little River Band) is 56. Jazz musician Stanley Clarke is 49. Rock musician Hal Lindes (Dire Straits) is 47. Actor-comedian David Alan Grier is 45. Actor Vincent D'Onofrio is 41. Boxer Mike Tyson is 34. Rock musician Tom Drummond (Better than Ezra) is 31.

I NEED HELP



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PAR SCORE 105-115 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each rack. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrim-Webster) and OGSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 6-30-00

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

PULITZER PRIZE IN LETTERS: FICTION

EDAXVSQNKIFDAXV
TQOMJHRMFCAYWUR
PKNLJEIHFHKBDBZX
VTCRV TQOMCKTKMI
HFDECBEIRULZOYW
VTEHBKRM OBRQMRO
NHEMINGWAYELAKI
CLHDEFIDCIDADZX
LWPVEURENKLUAFS
RUQOGWELTYIEYNM
KJRIALCNISWIRHF

Thursday's unlisted clue: CANOPY

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Friday's unlisted clue hint: WRITE "GONE WITH THE WIND"

Agee	Hemingway	Roth	Welty
Buck	Lurie	Sinclair	Wilder
Cheever	Mailer	Stambeck	Wouk
Faulkner	Momaday	Updike	

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For solution, see Classified.

HOROSCOPE

For Saturday, July 1

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A friend's words are well worth listening to.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) If you're single, take a risk in the name of love.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Make sure you're not being too selfish when it comes to personal possessions.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You will have that extra boost you need to deal with emotional problems.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You are feeling unusually sensitive.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Someone is in need of your sympathy, so be willing to listen.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) While you're feeling great about your accomplishments, your boss may beg to differ.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Nurturing a loved one will take priority over business.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Listen to your intuition, as your gut responses will be right on the money.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) A profound event might throw your sense of reality.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Today will see you needing to attend to the mundane necessities of life.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Your cheery demeanor is positively infectious.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

South has an easy road to 10 tricks. He wins five trump tricks, two top spades, a spade ruff and two minor-suit aces. However, it is reasonable to bet all on a 2-1 shot after East's pre-empt promises distribution? Whoever takes the direct route loses his game. He wins his top spades and ruffs his low spade in dummy. However, when he cashes dummy's ace and queen of trumps, East's discard brings bad news. Facing a trump loser and problems with his diamond suit, he takes a desperate club finesse. When it loses, he suffers an extra penalty trick and goes two down.

A more prudent approach guards against a 4-1 trump break. After winning his spade king, South leads a club to dummy's ace and ruffs a club. Then he cashes dummy's ace and queen of trumps. If both follow, he leads a spade to his ace and ruffs a spade. Then he can draw West's last trump and claim 10 winners. When trumps prove to be 4-1, South ruffs another club and cashes his diamond and spade aces. With one high trump left in each hand, he crossruffs in the black suits, bringing his total to 10 tricks.

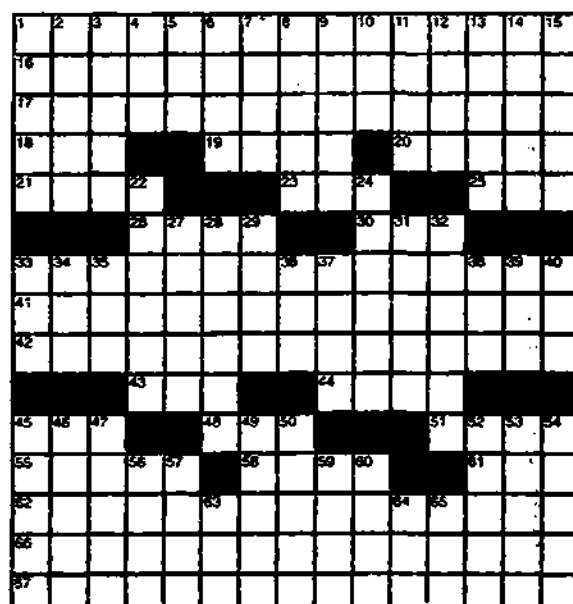
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0519

- ACROSS**
- "Dry," e.g.
 - Income taxes
 - Local farmers
 - School tie
 - Singers' syllables
 - Fair-sized musical group
 - Late Zairian dictator Mobutu
 - Volume purchase?; Abbr.
 - Word repeated before "again"
 - Revealer of the inner self?
 - Undertaking
 - Delicious diet-breaker
 - It's black and tan
 - Form of geometry
 - Married an "Axe Murderer" (1993 comedy)
 - Massachusetts motto opener
 - "... in the breath of heaven ..."; Keats
 - Snorkel, e.g.; Abbr.
 - Lackluster
 - First name in journals
 - Longtime Delaware senator
 - Enthusiastic cry
 - Wearer of an orange coat
 - Capital!
 - Unrealistic hope
 - Like half a family's relations
 - Trac II competition
 - William Shatner's "War"
 - Abbr. on old maps
 - "... act"
 - Foam at the mouth
 - Olympics sight
 - Sen. Hatch
 - Gules, in heraldry
 - Like some money
 - Recent Prefix
 - Pie
 - Not slipping as much
 - Fractious
 - Breaks records
 - Passed the doorstop
 - Bulldogger's place
 - Grammy winner
 - Where Gerald Ford went to law school
 - Actress Witherspoon and others
 - Went bad
 - Job for Poirot
 - Comic strip sound
 - ... pro nobis
 - Start of a lunar calendar abroad
 - French 101 verb

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SEA FAREST LIT
END EXARST MONO
HBO BEGGAR ASHE
ALLS NOBIGDEAL
NOPLACE SCUTLE
CHIMERA ENVIRES
NODICE MRS
NOGREATSHAKES
COP NOSALE
ATESTS RELAYED
PINHEAD NONUKES
NOCONTEST PESO
UNIT TICKIER OIL
TATS ROYALE URI
SLY EVELID TED



- DOWN**
- Pushovers
 - Body of art
 - Like tubers
 - Formal avenue
 - Round parts?
 - Road to Rome
 - Knight in shining armor
 - Not relevant
 - Marine creature with a transparent, saclike body
 - Reaction to bad news
 - It follows four but not five
 - Space
 - Sprint rival
 - High-
 - Mineralogical suffix

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